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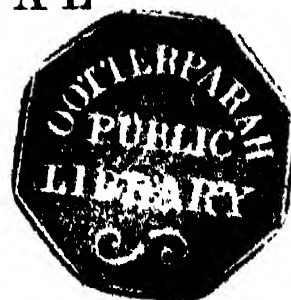
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As in the previous four years, the collection of the statistics of the external trade of Bengal with Nepal, Sikkim, and Bhutan was limited to the registration of the traffic passing along all the important trade routes, of which there are 32 on the northern frontier of Bengal between the districts of Chumparun and Julpigorce.

2. The total value of such trade registered during 1882-83, as compared with the figures of the preceding two years, was as follows:—

Imports into Bengal.				Exports from Bengal.			
	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.		1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
From Nepal	1,03,17,915	75,42,743	75,60,604	To Nepal	56,15,443	55,30,668	55,57,525
„ Sikkim	1,67,960	1,67,533	2,00,148	„ Sikkim	80,898	86,011	1,16,294
„ Bhutan	2,26,622	1,23,048	1,11,442	„ Bhutan	1,96,947	1,05,168	86,693
Total	1,07,12,497	78,33,324	78,72,194	Total ...	58,93,288	57,27,847	57,60,512

According to the returns, the excess of imports of merchandize over exports for the year 1882-83 was Rs. 21,11,682, against Rs. 21,05,477 in 1881-82, and Rs. 48,19,209 in 1880-81.

3. These figures represent the traffic to and from stations in Bengal only. The amount of traffic with other provinces passing through the trade routes in Bengal, was as follows:—

YEAR.	Imports into other provinces from Nepal.	Exports from other provinces to Nepal.
	Rs.	Rs.
1880-81	... 28,731	3,99,170
1881-82	... 4,38,040	5,63,732
1882-82	... 4,55,050	4,29,117

4. The combined total of these two sections of the registered trade during the past three years is shown below:—

YEAR.	Imports into Bengal.	Exports from Bengal.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1880-81	1,07,41,228	62,92,458	1,70,33,686
1881-82	82,71,364	62,91,579	1,45,62,943
1882-83	83,27,244	61,89,629	1,45,16,873

5. The gross value of the traffic registered during the past year thus shows a trifling decrease of Rs. 46,070 as compared with 1881-82. In the import trade, there is an increase amounting to .68 per cent, but the exports indicate a falling off of 1.62 per cent. Of the articles imported from Nepal, there has, however, been a large increase in the traffic in turmeric, food grains, hides, skins, ghee, linseed, timber, and specie, while amongst the articles of export, the decrease is conspicuous under Indian twist, and piece-goods, both European and Indian, but it is made up by a corresponding increase under raw cotton, and manufactured silk and woollen goods. The export of brass and copper and their manufactures has also been large, against a marked falling off in safflower, jewellery, other metals, paints and colours, and betelnuts. The fluctuation of traffic in all the important commodities will be briefly considered further on in this report.

6. The information furnished by the different local officers regarding the imposts levied by the Nepalese authorities on the traders after they leave or before they enter British territory during the past official year, is summarized as follows. The Collector of Chumparun writes:—

"As regards exports from Nepal, no taxes are levied on the exports of merchandize by Nepalese subjects. British subjects engaged in the grain trade with Nepal have to pay an anna in the rupee, or 6½ per cent on the value of paddy and 15 per cent on the value of oilseeds brought away by river. The rates for the same kinds of produce when brought away by land are much the same: 10 annas per cart load for dhan, and Rs. 1-8 per cart-load for oilseeds. But it is reported that these duties are not levied with the authority of the Nepalese Government. No special tax is levied on timber exported. A royalty of 25 per cent on its value is paid for every tree cut down whether by a Nepalese or by a British subject, and no further tax is levied on the export from Nepal into British territory. The annexed Table A gives the rates of duty levied on all the principal articles of commerce exported from Nepal into British territory, so far as they can be ascertained. * •

"Statement B gives the imposts levied on the different classes of goods imported into Nepal from British territory. Certain reductions of these taxes are made in favour of a class of merchants in Nepal known as the *Battis Kotthi* merchants, but who these *Battis Kotthi* merchants are no one is able to say.

"No preference seems to be given to one route over another on account of variation in the incidence of taxation along the different routes. The lighter and more valuable classes of goods are sent to Nepal by the Segowlee route as a matter of convenience, because it is the most direct road to the frontier, and is now bridged throughout its length. Heavy goods are sent up by river, and country produce is brought down from Nepal either by river or by the Thori route, as it suits the convenience of exporters."

Statement A showing the duties levied on goods exported from Nepal into British territory.

Description of articles.	Rate of duty levied.	REMARKS.
Oilseeds ... (1)...	15 per cent <i>ad valorem</i> ...	} Said not to be authorized by the Nepalese Government. (1) i.e., if exported by river; Rs. 1-8 if exported by land. (2) i.e., if exported by river; 10 annas if exported by land.
Paddy ... (2)...	6½ " " ...	
British coin ...	1½ to 2½ " "	
Spices and medicinal drugs	Rs. 4-10 per maund.	
Sohaga (horax), sandal wood, salajit (storax), hartal (yellow arsenic), &c.	Rs. 14 " "	
Tangis (axes) and kudals (hoes) ...	2 annas each.	
Dabia (knife) ...	1½ " "	
Blankets ...	2 annas.	
Oranges ...	12½ per cent <i>ad valorem</i> .	
Ganja ...	25 " "	
Horses ...	Rs. 5 to 15 per head.	
Timber ...	25 per cent royalty per tree <i>ad valorem</i> .	

Statement B showing the duties levied on goods imported into Nepal from British territory.

Description of articles.	Rate of duty levied.	REMARKS.
Piece-goods, European and Native, with carpets, blankets, &c.	34 per cent <i>ad valorem</i> and Rs. 1-2 as per maund.	In addition to these duties, there is levied on all goods a duty of eight pice per pony-load at Hethowra, besides 48 dhebuas (about 7 annas), for every 12 pony-loads from wholesale dealers, and 8 dhebuas (1½ annas) per pony-load from retail dealers at Bichakhori.
Lace and other articles manufactured and woven with silver or gold	5 per cent <i>ad valorem</i> and Rs. 1-2 per maund.	
Vessels of brass, copper, tin, &c.	Ditto ditto	
Spices, sugar, fruits, medicines, &c.	Ditto ditto	
Looking glasses, combs, shoes, umbrellas, &c., &c.	Ditto ditto	
Indigo ...	One-tenth of the value and Rs. 1-2 per maund.	
Cotton ...	15½ per cent <i>ad valorem</i> and Rs. 2-2 per maund.	
Ornaments, jewels, pearls, silver and gold vessels.	1 to 2 per cent <i>ad valorem</i> .	
Tobacco and gur ...	Rs. 1-2 per maund.	

In 1881-82, the Collector stated that he had ascertained that certain changes had been made in the taxes leviable on imports and exports, but that the exact nature of these changes was not then known. The foregoing tables for 1882-83, however, show that the rates of imposts have been revised in respect of the following staples of traffic:—

Names of articles.	Rates of imposts levied in 1880-81 and 1881-82.	Rates of imposts levied in 1882-83.
EXPORTS FROM NEPAL.		
British coin	2½ per cent <i>ad valorem</i>	1½ to 2½ per cent <i>ad valorem</i> .
IMPORTS TO NEPAL.		
Indigo	15 per cent and Rs. 1-2 per maund	One-tenth of the value and Rs. 1-2 per maund.
Cotton	Ditto .. 2-2 ..	15½ per cent <i>ad valorem</i> and Rs. 2-2 per maund.
Ornaments, jewels, pearls, silver, and gold vessels.	1½ per cent <i>ad valorem</i>	1 to 2 per cent <i>ad valorem</i> .

The duty levied per pony-load at Hethowra, shown in statement B, is put down at 8 pice, against 17 pice in the two previous years. The duty levied at Bichakhor in 1882-83 is said to have been at the rate of 48 dhebuas (about seven annas) for every 12 pony-loads from wholesale dealers, and 8 dhebuas (one and one third annas) per pony-load from retail dealers; but in the two previous years the rate given was 14 pice per pony-load.

7. Along the Mozufferpore and Durbhunga frontiers it would appear that duty is generally levied by the load, at rates varying from one anna to nine pice for carts, two pice to one anna for bullocks, and one pice to one anna for coolies. The rate thus levied on exports is called *khurchapi* and that on imports *lag*. Dealers* are allowed to compound for *khurchapi* by a payment of 8 annas a year on each cart or bullock. Special export duties are levied on cattle, varying from one anna per head for goats to 12 annas per head for cart bullocks. *Sayer* is levied, in addition to *lag*, on imports at two pice in the rupee *ad valorem*. Grain, though subject to export duty, can be imported free.

9. The Collector of Bhagulpore furnishes the two schedules, published below, showing the charges made on the frontier of that district:—

“The scale of imports into Nepal is as follows:—

	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
Brass vessels, per load	... 0 10 0	Jute, per maund	... 0 0 6
Bamboos, per load	... 0 1 0	Salt, per maund	... 0 0 6
Vegetables, per basket	... 0 0 1½	Sugar, per maund	... 0 0 6
Cattle, per head	... 0 10 0	Tobacco, per maund	... 0 0 6
Fish, per banghy load	... 0 0 3	Beads, &c., per basket	... 0 0 6
Rope, per banghy load	... 0 0 3	Sweetmeats, per basket	... 0 0 6
Spices, per banghy load	... 0 10 0	Europe cloth, <i>ad valorem</i> per cent	0 2 6
Cotton, per maund	... 0 0 6	Country cloth, <i>ad valorem</i> per cent	0 2 3
Country-made twist, per maund	0 0 6	Lac, per maund	... 0 0 8
Turmeric, per maund	... 0 0 6		

“The following is the tariff for exports:—

	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
Saboy, per maund	... 0 0 6	Linseed, per maund	... 0 0 6
Rice, ditto	... 0 0 6	Milk and curds, ditto	... 0 0 3
Paddy, ditto	... 0 0 6	Cattle, per head	... 0 10 0
Horns, ditto	... 0 0 3	Goat, ditto	... 0 0 6
Lime, ditto	... 0 0 6	Leather, per piece	... 0 2 6
Oil, ditto	... 0 0 6	Earthen pots, per cent	... 0 0 6
Ghee, ditto	... 0 3 9	Grass, per cart-load	... 0 1 0

“The Nepal Government maintains no regular custom-house for the levying of these duties, which are realized on the farming system.”

10. The Deputy Commissioner of Darjeeling writes:—

“The subjoined statement shows the duties levied by the Nepal Government and by Thibet on imports and exports.

“Formerly, the Nepalese Government did not levy any duty on articles imported into Nepal, but last year they have begun this in accordance, I believe, with their practice at other points on the frontier.

"No duty was levied by the Sikkim officials during the past year, but a proposal has been made by the Maharajah to reintroduce this.

"At Phari, in Thibet, duties were levied on traders on leaving or entering that country

"Bhutan levies no duties."

Nepal imports and exports.			Thibet exports.			Thibet imports.		
Rs. A. P.						Rs. A. P.		
Buffaloes	1	0 0	Every pony or mule ...	6 annas		Tobacco, per load of		
Sheep or goat	0	2 0	Sheep, goats, &c. ...	1 anna		1½ maunds ...	1	0 0
Cloth, per load of 1 to 1½						All other articles		
maunds	1	0 0				valued at Rs. 100	0	8 0
Salt, rice, dall. &c., per load	2 to 4	as.						
Fowls, per basket	2	..						
Ghee and oil, per maund ...	8	..						

11. The Deputy Commissioner of Julpigoreo reports that, "so far as has been ascertained, no duties or imposts are levied on traders after they leave or before they enter the British territory from Bhutan."

12. From the foregoing statements it will be observed that the rates of duty at different points on the frontier would seem to vary considerably. Whether there is really such a divergence as the local reports would indicate is, however, perhaps open to question. A special endeavour will now be made to ascertain precisely what duties are really levied. Each of the local officers concerned will be furnished with copies of the reports submitted by the others, and will be asked to institute careful personal enquiries and report the result. Their attention will also be directed to the fluctuations in the imports and exports at the different registering posts, and they will be desired to consider how far these are the results of variations in the rates of duty. Altogether it is hoped that the next Annual Report will present a less fragmentary review of this subject than is now submitted.

13. The total quantity of untaxed foreign salt imported into British territory from trans-Himalayan sources amounted to 1,520 maunds 23 seers, against 1,932 maunds 8 seers 8 chittacks in 1881-82, and 2,374 maunds 33 seers 8 chittacks in 1880-81, as shown in the following statement:—

	1880-81.			1881-82.			1882-83.		
	Mds.	s.	c.	Mds.	s.	c.	Mds.	s.	c.
Darjeeling	2,268	13	0	1,897	2	0	1,470	34	0
Julpigoreo	106	20	8	34	31	0	49	29	0
Bhagulpore ... ..	.....			0	15	8	..	..	..
Total	2,374	33	8	1,932	8	8	1,520	23	0

The imports in the Darjeeling district show a steady falling off of from 2,268 maunds 13 seers in 1880-81 to 1,897 maunds 2 seers in 1881-82, and 1,470 maunds 34 seers in 1882-83; and the Deputy Commissioner writes that the decrease is only in accordance with the anticipation expressed by him in his previous year's report as to the result of the reduction of duty on sea-borne salt, and that the facilities for transport afforded by the Darjeeling-Himalayan Railway will doubtless result in a still further decrease in the importation of this salt. The different places from which the supply was derived during the past year is shown in the following table:—

Statement showing the import of untaxed salt into British India from trans-Himalayan sources during 1882-83.

Name of registering station.		Quantity imported during 1882-83.		From what places imported.	
		Mds.	s.		
Goompahar		379	27	From Balochongola in Nepal. Principally from Hongog, Hatia, and Balosoom in Nepal. From Sikkim. Principally from Thibet; a small quantity from minor places in Sikkim and Bhutan.	
Kurjulia		310	12		
Rungeet		89	35		
Phaydong		691	0		
Total		1,470	34		

The quantity of untaxed salt carried to Julpigoree, however, showed an increase of 14 maunds 88 seers on the figures of 1881-82, but a large decrease of 56 maunds 31 seers 8 chittacks compared with 1880-81. The local officer remarks that there does not appear to be any special reason to account for these fluctuations, but from what he has lately reported to Government in connection with the import lac trade with Bhutan, he has very little faith in the returns of the traffic mohurirs.

TRADE OF BENGAL WITH NEPAL.

14. During the year under review there were altogether 27 frontier posts on all the important routes of traffic for the registration of the trade of Bengal with Nepal. The total value of this trade registered during the past three years was as follows:—

				Imports from Nepal.	Exports to Nepal	Grand total of value
				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1880-81	..	...	...	1,03,17,915	56,15,143	1,59,33,358
1881-82	.	...	...	75,12,713	55,36,668	1,30,79,411
1882-83	...	...	...	75,60,604	55,57,525	1,31,18,129

The foregoing statement shows an advance of .21 per cent in the imports, and of .38 per cent in the exports, as compared with 1881-82. The most noticeable features in the trade of the year are an increase under rice (81,684 maunds), paddy (1,16,378 maunds), rain crops (51,065 maunds), hides of cattle (32,509 pieces), linseed (66,830 maunds), silk, manufactured (Rs. 58,748 in value), timber (1,07,758 maunds), and manufactured woollen goods (Rs. 1,13,388); and a decrease under cotton piece-goods (Rs. 1,37,584), provisions, other than ghee, (35,227 maunds), fibres, raw, other than jute (10,853 maunds), mustard-seed (10,563 maunds), and spices (8,243 maunds).

15. The following statement shows the total trade, import and export, in each of the principal staples of traffic during the past three years. The figures shown here, however, represent the net traffic between Bengal and Nepal, after deducting such portion of it as passed into and from other provinces through Bengal:—

NAMES OF ARTICLES.				QUANTITY			VALUE		
				Import	Export	Total	Import	Export	Total
							Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Cattle	No	{	1880-81	16,973	7,279	24,252	1,44,400	1,81,075	3,25,475
			1881-82	21,318	7,433	28,751	7,29,000	1,13,825	8,42,825
			1882-83	18,358	9,705	28,063	4,68,000	918,000	1,39,800
Sheep and goats .. ..	..	{	1880-81	20,836	19,014	39,850	14,608	47,713	62,321
			1881-82	20,103	21,738	41,841	7,013	54,347	61,360
			1882-83	30,771	18,512	49,283	91,000	40,251	1,31,251
Cotton raw	Mds	{	1880-81	1,932	5,771	7,703	37,713	90,403	1,28,116
			1881-82	1,971	5,623	7,594	81,807	95,531	1,77,338
			1882-83	1,613	8,151	9,764	27,421	1,38,018	1,65,439
Piece-goods (European) ..	Rs.	{	1880-81	..	..	..	21,37	21,74,290	21,95,667
			1881-82	..	..	..	18,184	18,18,184	18,18,184
			1882-83	..	..	..	18,184	18,18,184	18,18,184
Piece-goods (Indian) .. ..	..	{	1880-81	..	..	..	10,1	1,81,181	1,81,181
			1881-82	..	..	..	23,418	23,418	23,418
			1882-83	..	..	..	5,106	1,78,058	1,83,164
Other fibres, raw	Mds	{	1880-81	11,713	1,079	12,792	80,118	1,504	81,622
			1881-82	14,477	1,040	15,517	1,04,000	1,04,000	1,04,000
			1882-83	4,431	223	4,654	2,887	1,431	4,318
Gram and pulse .. ..	..	{	1880-81	78,209	7,212	85,421	2,68,144	21,594	2,89,738
			1881-82	11,712	7,437	19,149	1,04,000	1,04,000	1,04,000
			1882-83	58,258	8,939	67,197	1,10,106	17,878	1,28,084
Other spring crops .. ..	..	{	1880-81	74,570	930	75,500	2,20,005	2,690	2,22,695
			1881-82	49,102	1,711	50,813	97,701	2,730	1,00,431
			1882-83	58,104	385	58,489	1,09,005	722	1,09,722
Rice (husked) .. ..	..	{	1880-81	7,01,101	7,055	7,08,156	2,60,802	20,451	2,81,257
			1881-82	7,47,208	7,123	7,54,331	19,14,430	14,711	19,29,141
			1882-83	8,32,516	2,559	8,35,075	15,01,905	4,794	15,06,699
Rice (unhusked) .. ..	..	{	1880-81	4,95,772	3,942	5,00,714	10,85,546	8,870	10,94,416
			1881-82	6,40,630	2,781	6,43,411	8,85,214	3,071	8,88,285
			1882-83	7,55,458	1,391	7,56,849	8,53,265	1,567	8,58,816

NAMES OF ARTICLES.	QUANTITY.			VALUE.		
	Import.	Export.	Total.	Import.	Export.	Total.
				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Other rain crops Mds. { 1880-81 1,87,020 253 1,87,273 3,74,040 506 3,74,546	1,87,020	253	1,87,273	3,74,040	506	3,74,546
... .. { 1881-82 1,73,415 619 1,74,034 3,00,470 1,394 3,01,854	1,73,415	619	1,74,034	3,00,470	1,394	3,01,854
... .. { 1882-83 2,28,000 30 2,28,000 4,56,138 60 4,56,198	2,28,000	30	2,28,000	4,56,138	60	4,56,198
Hides of cattle No. { 1880-81 43,270 596 43,866 98,396 1,269 99,665	43,270	596	43,866	98,396	1,269	99,665
... .. { 1881-82 32,210 250 32,460 87,040 682 87,722	32,210	250	32,460	87,040	682	87,722
... .. { 1882-83 64,980 64,980 1,78,666 1,78,666	64,980	.....	64,980	1,78,666	.....	1,78,666
Skins of sheep, goats, and small animals { 1880-81 12,975 14 12,989 16,892 18 16,910	12,975	14	12,989	16,892	18	16,910
... .. { 1881-82 47,709 80 47,789 71,375 134 71,509	47,709	80	47,789	71,375	134	71,509
... .. { 1882-83 67,454 550 68,004 1,01,181 825 1,02,006	67,454	550	68,004	1,01,181	825	1,02,006
Brass and copper Mds. { 1880-81 173 9,438 9,611 0,020 3,77,520 3,84,440	173	9,438	9,611	0,020	3,77,520	3,84,440
... .. { 1881-82 875 8,707 9,582 35,000 3,48,280 3,83,230	875	8,707	9,582	35,000	3,48,280	3,83,230
... .. { 1882-83 90 12,323 12,413 3,840 4,02,020 4,90,700	90	12,323	12,413	3,840	4,02,020	4,90,700
Iron { 1880-81 385 5,584 5,969 3,080 44,672 47,752	385	5,584	5,969	3,080	44,672	47,752
... .. { 1881-82 3,218 6,007 9,225 21,664 45,083 66,745	3,218	6,007	9,225	21,664	45,083	66,745
... .. { 1882-83 128 5,070 5,198 768 35,820 36,588	128	5,070	5,198	768	35,820	36,588
Other metals { 1880-81 106 1,233 1,339 3,170 32,650 35,820	106	1,233	1,339	3,170	32,650	35,820
... .. { 1881-82 125 1,900 2,025 8,750 58,800 62,550	125	1,900	2,025	8,750	58,800	62,550
... .. { 1882-83 339 608 1,037 10,170 20,940 31,110	339	608	1,037	10,170	20,940	31,110
Ghee { 1880-81 4,284 38 4,322 1,38,088 1,216 1,39,304	4,284	38	4,322	1,38,088	1,216	1,39,304
... .. { 1881-82 5,861 10 5,871 1,88,192 320 1,88,512	5,861	10	5,871	1,88,192	320	1,88,512
... .. { 1882-83 10,352 10,352 3,00,208 3,00,208	10,352	.....	10,352	3,00,208	.....	3,00,208
All other kinds of provisions { 1880-81 61,421 53,054 115,375 6,11,210 5,39,540 11,53,750	61,421	53,054	115,375	6,11,210	5,39,540	11,53,750
... .. { 1881-82 50,902 50,175 101,037 7,01,075 6,96,950 13,98,125	50,902	50,175	101,037	7,01,075	6,96,950	13,98,125
... .. { 1882-83 32,917 82,803 65,810 6,68,300 6,57,860 13,10,250	32,917	82,803	65,810	6,68,300	6,57,860	13,10,250
Salt { 1880-81 888 72,854 73,742 4,024 3,27,812 3,31,886	888	72,854	73,742	4,024	3,27,812	3,31,886
... .. { 1881-82 1,831 81,150 82,981 7,900 3,27,882 3,35,842	1,831	81,150	82,981	7,900	3,27,882	3,35,842
... .. { 1882-83 1,503 79,260 80,763 0,481 3,41,644 3,48,125	1,503	79,260	80,763	0,481	3,41,644	3,48,125
Saltpetre { 1880-81 14,001 14,001 95,204 95,204	14,001	.....	14,001	95,204	.....	95,204
... .. { 1881-82 12,911 12,911 97,126 97,126	12,911	.....	12,911	97,126	.....	97,126
... .. { 1882-83 5,985 5,985 47,890 47,890	5,985	.....	5,985	47,890	.....	47,890
Linseed { 1880-81 187,936 286 188,222 8,24,134 1,281 8,25,418	187,936	286	188,222	8,24,134	1,281	8,25,418
... .. { 1881-82 81,780 1,829 83,615 3,71,829 7,848 3,79,677	81,780	1,829	83,615	3,71,829	7,848	3,79,677
... .. { 1882-83 150,223 222 150,445 0,38,140 941 0,39,390	150,223	222	150,445	0,38,140	941	0,39,390
Mustard-seed { 1880-81 113,281 1,898 115,179 4,04,240 8,610 5,02,756	113,281	1,898	115,179	4,04,240	8,610	5,02,756
... .. { 1881-82 81,873 387 82,260 3,10,084 1,409 3,12,363	81,873	387	82,260	3,10,084	1,409	3,12,363
... .. { 1882-83 71,150 47 71,197 2,57,919 170 2,58,089	71,150	47	71,197	2,57,919	170	2,58,089
Silk (manufactured) Rs. { 1880-81 150 55,948 58,098	.....	.....	.....	150	55,948	58,098
... .. { 1881-82 1,006 52,555 54,401	.....	.....	.....	1,006	52,555	54,401
... .. { 1882-83 342 1,12,807 1,13,209	.....	.....	.....	342	1,12,807	1,13,209
Spices Mts. { 1880-81 3,676 11,986 15,662 25,752 79,702 1,05,434	3,676	11,986	15,662	25,752	79,702	1,05,434
... .. { 1881-82 6,412 16,225 22,637 44,884 1,13,575 1,58,459	6,412	16,225	22,637	44,884	1,13,575	1,58,459
... .. { 1882-83 3,570 14,816 18,386 25,053 75,705 1,00,758	3,570	14,816	18,386	25,053	75,705	1,00,758
Betelnuts { 1880-81 960 10,404 11,454 15,360 1,67,904 1,83,264	960	10,404	11,454	15,360	1,67,904	1,83,264
... .. { 1881-82 89 7,493 7,582 1,408 1,14,158 1,15,660	89	7,493	7,582	1,408	1,14,158	1,15,660
... .. { 1882-83 8,264 8,264 66,113 66,112	.....	8,264	8,264	.....	66,113	66,112
Sugar (refined) { 1880-81 17 4,807 4,824 272 76,912 77,144	17	4,807	4,824	272	76,912	77,144
... .. { 1881-82 5,314 5,314 82,261 82,261	.....	5,314	5,314	.....	82,261	82,261
... .. { 1882-83 4,075 4,075 74,023 74,025	.....	4,075	4,075	.....	74,023	74,025
Sugar (unrefined) { 1880-81 1,509 21,338 22,847 10,707 1,58,108 1,68,815	1,509	21,338	22,847	10,707	1,58,108	1,68,815
... .. { 1881-82 268 20,429 20,696 1,906 1,53,215 1,55,211	268	20,429	20,696	1,906	1,53,215	1,55,211
... .. { 1882-83 510 20,839 21,179 2,326 1,56,518 1,58,844	510	20,839	21,179	2,326	1,56,518	1,58,844
Tobacco { 1880-81 7,818 16,578 24,396 48,574 1,08,075 1,54,649	7,818	16,578	24,396	48,574	1,08,075	1,54,649
... .. { 1881-82 9,479 20,408 29,887 60,903 1,32,651 1,93,614	9,479	20,408	29,887	60,903	1,32,651	1,93,614
... .. { 1882-83 6,974 23,624 29,598 38,835 1,58,556 1,92,391	6,974	23,624	29,598	38,835	1,58,556	1,92,391
Timber { 1880-81 4,03,817 4,03,817 18,55,238 18,55,238	4,03,817	.....	4,03,817	18,55,238	.....	18,55,238
... .. { 1881-82 2,80,982 2,80,982 7,70,290 7,70,290	2,80,982	.....	2,80,982	7,70,290	.....	7,70,290
... .. { 1882-83 3,88,540 3,88,540 9,71,552 9,71,552	3,88,540	.....	3,88,540	9,71,552	.....	9,71,552
Wool (manufactured) Rs. { 1880-81 18,423 3,67,577 3,21,000	.....	.....	.....	18,423	3,67,577	3,21,000
... .. { 1881-82 10,909 2,16,901 2,27,810	.....	.....	.....	10,909	2,16,901	2,27,810
... .. { 1882-83 4,774 3,36,424 3,41,198	.....	.....	.....	4,774	3,36,424	3,41,198
All other articles Mds. { 1880-81 67,728 20,890 88,618 5,15,515 5,73,758 10,89,273	67,728	20,890	88,618	5,15,515	5,73,758	10,89,273
... .. { 1881-82 69,114 29,051 92,165 5,01,570 7,81,490 12,86,060	69,114	29,051	92,165	5,01,570	7,81,490	12,86,060
... .. { 1882-83 93,108 50,825 1,40,933 5,84,655 7,26,609 13,11,354	93,108	50,825	1,40,933	5,84,655	7,26,609	13,11,354

16. *Cattle*.—The cattle trade showed a decrease of 17·19 per cent on the returns of 1881-82, and of 8·65 per cent on those of 1880-81. The number imported into Bengal is said to have been 18,358 against 21,318 head in 1881-82, and 16,972 head in 1880-81.

17. *Cotton, raw*.—The total traffic under this head rose from 7,494 maunds in 1881-82 to 9,767 maunds in 1882-83, showing an increase of 30·33 per cent. The quantity of raw cotton sent to Nepal from British territory was 8,154 maunds, against 5,623 maunds in 1881-82, and 5,721 maunds in 1880-81.

18. *Cotton Piece-goods*.—There has been a slight decrease in the trade in European piece-goods, of which Rs. 18,19,592 worth were exported to Nepal during 1882-83, against Rs. 18,34,818 worth in 1881-82. The total value of unsaleable fabrics returned to the British territory, however, was very much less, amounting to only Rs. 19,513 against Rs. 68,984 in 1881-82, and Rs. 24,237 in 1880-81.

The following statement shows the value for each of the past three years of the piece-goods exported through each registering post, district by district.

District.	Station.	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Ohumparun	Tribanighat	3,025	2,240	1,498
	Ruxoul	2,49,958	2,46,864	2,87,920
	Adaporo	1,09,425	3,53,629	3,10,431
	Kutkenwa	9,96,038	5,22,055	6,26,415
	Ghorasan	1,40,273	1,74,504	68,764
	Total	14,98,717	12,99,292	12,95,028
Mozufferpore	Bairagnia	53,927	72,163	62,514
	Majorgunge	2,425	6,727	9,186
	Sonbursa	37,564	6,959	10,768
	Bela	4,925	1,428	4,619
	Soorsund	8,925	9,419	3,670
	Total	1,07,766	96,696	90,757
Durbhunga	Madhwaporo	55,042	56,761	46,133
	Hatwary	830	1,550	1,075
	Joynugger	24,473	16,677	27,962
	Mirzaporo	3,901	2,160	1,010
	Pipraghat	86,147	29,180	32,054
	Total	1,70,393	1,06,268	1,08,267
Bhagulpore	Kundowli	1,17,568	94,179	62,587
	Patchpandaria	9,377	8,782	9,959
	Beerpore	51,070	58,544	67,208
	Total	1,78,015	1,61,505	1,39,754
Purneah	Kalughat	589	634	557
	Degalbark	91,700	73,729	71,428
	Byraah	40,062	16,823	18,749
	Siktee	13,610	11,866	10,115
	Megahat	9,494	5,032	1,834
	Mirgunge	9,610	11,876	11,844
	Total	1,65,065	1,19,960	1,14,527
Darjeeling	Nuksarbarree	5,108	3,279	1,818
	Goompahar	28,990	30,105	37,048
	Kurjulia	20,236	17,713	32,393
	Total	54,334	51,097	71,259
	Total value	21,74,290	18,34,818	18,19,592

19. *Food-grains.*—The increase in the food-grain traffic has been very large, amounting to 15·60 per cent over the quantity registered in 1881-82, and to 18·19 per cent over that registered in 1880-81. The following statement shows the total traffic for each staple separately during the past three years:—

		Imports from Nepal.			Exports to Nepal.		
		1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Wheat	...	13,356	8,360	12,890	375	374	135
Gram and pulse	...	78,209	64,762	53,258	7,212	7,037	8,939
Other spring crops	...	74,530	43,162	58,164	930	1,711	385
Rice (husked)	...	7,91,191	7,47,268	8,32,516	7,055	6,123	2,559
Do. (unhusked)	...	4,95,772	6,40,690	7,58,458	3,942	2,781	1,391
Other rain crops	...	1,87,020	1,73,415	2,28,060	253	619	30
	Total	16,40,078	16,77,657	19,48,355	19,767	18,615	13,439

By far the largest increase in the import traffic was of course in rice (85,248 maunds), paddy (1,17,768 maunds), and in miscellaneous rain crops

(54,654 maunds.) The different registering posts through which food-grains were imported from Nepal, are shown in the following statement :—

NAMES OF REGISTERING STATIONS.		IMPORTS FROM NEPAL.					
		Wheat.	Gram and pulse.	Miscellaneous spring crops.	Rice.	Paddy.	Miscellaneous rain crops.
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
In Chumprun.	Tribanighat ...	.....	198	.....	2,593	225	.....
	Ruxoul ...	83	2,837	5,905	21,373	90,371	6,730
	Adapore ...	962	1,774	5,373	8,721	27,518	18,759
	Kutkenwa ...	1,195	3,838	5,452	17,012	1,03,421	32,711
	Ghorasan ...	13	6,178	1,349	44	19,520	24,124
Total ...		2,253	14,825	18,169	43,743	2,41,055	82,324
In Mozufferpore.	Bairagnia ...	5,327	22,872	14,907	26,204	27,581	84,110
	Majorgunge ...	844	2,692	669	65,209	40,734	17,123
	Sonbuisa ...	924	1,046	11,417	36,063	45,217	18,117
	Bela ...	681	422	1,252	16,054	8,019	1,553
	Soorsund ...	426	3,602	5,482	24,806	15,041	3,291
Total ...		8,202	30,534	33,817	1,98,336	1,36,596	1,24,194
In Durbhanga.	Madhwapore ...	150	1,318	60	1,09,592	38,861	686
	Hatwary ...	.....	5,141	842	1,32,747	26,865	1,301
	Jaynager ...	238	1,162	2,784	5,121	5,825	5,825
	Mirzapore ...	236	31	.....	40,111	50,320	621
	Pipra ghât ...	74	.....	.....	1,41,535	22,805	1,722
Total ...		698	7,652	3,686	4,29,106	1,88,980	10,155
In Bhagulpore.	Kundowli ...	107	173	.....	44,562	17,711	2,187
	Patehpardaroh ...	31	23	.....	30,567	18,568	383
	Beerpore ...	1,103	32	.....	14,191	8,167	1,797
Total ...		1,301	228	.....	89,320	44,446	4,367
In Purneah.	Kalughat ...	.....	23	.....	3,448	33,062	.....
	Devalbhak ...	.....	120	.....	2,224	8,162	.....
	Hyrenh ...	.....	30	12	3,056	7,525	.....
	Siktee ...	.....	123	464	4,037	35,008	.....
	Megahat ...	344	342	743	4,010	14,054	.....
	Mirgunge ...	92	184	457	11,043	47,217	67
Total ...		436	822	1,706	29,318	1,46,013	67
In Darjeeling.	Nuksarbaroo ...	.....	63	.....	42,664	1,308	.....
	Goompahar ...	.....	3,485	796	29	.....	6,209
	Kurjulia ...	.....	649	.....	.....	.....	663
Total ...		.....	4,197	786	42,693	1,368	6,962
TOTAL	1882-83 ...	12,400	58,258	58,164	8,32,516	7,58,458	2,28,060
	1881-82 ...	8,360	64,762	43,162	7,47,268	6,46,600	1,73,415
	1880-81 ...	13,366	78,209	74,530	7,91,191	6,95,772	1,87,020

20. *Hides.*—The trade has largely expanded, the number of hides imported from Nepal being 64,969 pieces, against 32,210 pieces in 1881-82 and 43,270 pieces in 1880-81. The principal registering posts through which this supply was sent are as follows:—

Station.	In what district.	Imports from Nepal.		
		1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
		Pieces.	Pieces.	Pieces.
Bairagnia ...	Mozufferpore ...	4,133	4,368	12,842
Goompahar ...	Darjeeling ...	1,316	6,007	9,871
Beerpore ...	Bhagulpore ...	4,689	4,910	9,317
Kutkenwa ...	Chumprun ...	1,035	1,642	6,281
Adapore ...	Ditto ...	2,561	1,983	4,354
Ruxoul ...	Ditto ...	717	3,584	3,565
Kurjulia ...	Darjeeling ...	710	219	3,546
Mirgunge ...	Purneah ...	2,565	1,370	2,926
Majorgunge ...	Mozufferpore ...	1,142	681	2,182
Other stations ...	.....	24,402	7,446	10,085
Total ...		43,270	32,210	64,969

21. *Skins of sheep, goats, and small animals.*—A similar increase is shown under this head, the total number imported being 67,454 pieces, against 47,709 pieces in 1881-82 and 12,975 pieces in 1880-81.

22. *Brass and copper, and their manufactures.*—The total quantity of brass and copper and their manufactures exported to Nepal rose from 8,707 maunds in 1881-82 to 12,323 maunds in 1882-83, the money value of the trade amounting to Rs. 3,77,520 in 1880-81, Rs. 3,48,280 in 1881-82, and Rs. 4,92,920 in 1882-83.

23. *Ghee*.—The importation of ghee from Nepal rose from 4,284 maunds, valued at Rs. 1,38,088, in 1880-81, to 5,881 maunds, valued at Rs. 1,88,192, in 1881-82, and to 10,352 maunds, valued at Rs. 3,00,208, in 1882-83. The different stations where the largest quantity was registered in those years, are—

Station.	In what district	Imports from Nepal					
		1880 81		1881 82		1882 83	
		Quantity.	Value	Quantity	Value.	Quantity	Value
		Mds	Rs	Mds	Rs	Mds.	Rs
Bairagnia	Mozufferpore	494	15,909	1,098	93,216	4,828	1,40,012
Kurjula	Darjeeling	1,512	50,024	909	29,089	1,177	30,949
Goompahar	Ditto	787	24,544	1,071	34,936	1,375	30,875
Patchpandareah	Bhagulpore	481	15,302	534	10,089	709	20,561
Kundowli	Ditto	48	1,516	184	5,888	277	8,019
Bela	Mozufferpore	250	8,000	370	11,840	250	7,424
Pipraghat	Durbhunga	178	5,696	455	11,500	251	6,467
Madhwapore	Ditto	44	1,108	175	5,000	203	5,887
Majorgunge	Mozufferpore			287	9,184	191	5,579
Kutkenwa	Chumparun	37	1,184	17	4,064	113	4,147
Sonbursa	Mozufferpore			34	3,008	140	4,010
Other stations		423	13,516	835	21,720	690	19,720
Total		4,284	1,38,088	5,881	1,88,192	10,352	3,00,208

24. *All other kinds of provisions*.—The total quantity registered under this head shows a falling off of from 1,01,037 maunds in 1881-82 to 65,810 maunds in 1882-83, the decrease having occurred under imports as well as under exports.

25. *Salt*.—The total weight of salt carried to Nepal was 79,260 maunds, against 81,450 maunds in 1881-82, and 72,854 maunds in 1880-81. The following statement shows the amount of salt registered at the different stations during the past three years.—

Station.	In what district	Exports to Nepal		
		1880 81	1881 82	1882 83
		Mds	Mds	Mds
Bairagnia	Mozufferpore	8,644	7,689	9,283
Beerpore	Bhagulpore	6,903	6,610	7,682
Ruxoul	Chumparun	6,196	4,971	7,315
Kutkenwa	Ditto	5,904	7,173	7,283
Sonbursa	Mozufferpore	2,651	3,715	5,658
Madhwapore	Durbhunga	1,812	5,286	5,135
Soorsund	Mozufferpore	228	7,852	1,384
Ghorasan	Chumparun	4,638	5,156	4,134
Mirgunge	Purneah	3,310	3,869	3,984
Adapore	Chumparun	1,923	5,567	3,919
Degalbark	Purneah	4,204	4,568	3,667
Patchpandareah	Bhagulpore	2,035	1,876	2,879
Siktee	Purneah	2,000	3,090	2,540
Other stations		19,343	13,968	11,497
Total		72,854	81,450	79,260

26. *Saltpetre*.—The condition of the saltpetre trade is far from being satisfactory, the total quantity imported from Nepal being only 5,985 maunds against 12,911 maunds in 1881-82, and 14,001 maunds in 1880-81. The principal districts which imported this supply are Mozufferpore (3,279 maunds), Durbhunga (1,450 maunds), and Chumparun (1,256 maunds).

27. *Oilseeds*.—The total quantity of linseed and mustard-seed entering the British territory from Nepal during the past three years was as follows.—

	1880 81	1881 82	1882 83
	Mds	Mds	Mds
Linseed	1,87,936	81,786	1,50,223
Mustard-seed	1,13,261	81,373	71,150

There has been a satisfactory recovery in the trade in linseed, the total increase amounting to 68,437 maunds as compared with 1881-82.

The principal routes of traffic through which the largest quantity of oilseeds was imported during the past three years, are shown below :—

Linsced.

Registering Station.	In what District.	Imports from Nepal.		
		1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
		Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Bairagnia .	Mozufferpore ...	77,101	13,051	46,823
Kutkenwa ...	Chumparun ...	34,669	12,169	14,824
Adapore ...	Ditto ...	21,883	5,674	12,808
Sonbursa ...	Mozufferpore .	7,118	14,083	12,130
Joybugger ...	Durbhunga ...	2,483	2,810	11,616
Soorsund ...	Mozufferpore ...	457	3,333	11,559
Ruxoul ...	Chumparun ...	9,633	5,562	10,317
Hatwary ..	Durbhunga ..	6,794	5,497	7,076
Patchpandareah .	Bhagulpore ...	7,266	7,490	6,175
Madhowapore ...	Durbhunga ...	5,704	1,141	4,768
Majorgunge ...	Mozufferpore	3,536	904	4,273
Other stations ...		11,289	7,082	7,854
Total ...		1,87,936	81,786	1,50,223

Mustard-seed.

Bairagnia .	Mozufferpore	14,159	5,735	12,592
Joybugger ..	Durbhunga	6,721	4,889	7,493
Ghorasan ...	Chumparun ...	9,317	13,448	7,448
Patchpandareah ...	Bhagulpore ...	16,102	6,725	7,114
Adapore ...	Chumparun	8,267	6,167	6,060
Beerpore ...	Bhagulpore	25,931	10,135	5,982
Kutkenwa ...	Chumparun ...	2,544	5,668	4,015
Sikto .	Purneah .	768	1,511	4,148
Mirgunge	Ditto	2,281	3,993	3,118
Hatwary	Durbhunga	970	1,254	2,431
Other stations .	..	20,151	21,848	9,849
Total ..		1,13,281	81,873	71,150

28. *Silk, manufactured.*—The demand for manufactured silk goods in the Nepal market has been very active during the past year. The total value of these goods sent to Nepal was Rs. 1,12,867, against Rs. 52,555 in 1881-82, and Rs. 55,948 in 1880-81.

29. *Sugar.*—The total quantity of refined and unrefined sugar sent to Nepal during the past three years shows but little fluctuation in this trade. The registered figures are as follows :—

	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Sugar, refined . .	4,807	5,314	4,975
Do., unrefined	21,338	20,429	20,860

30. *Tobacco.*—Tobacco is both imported into, and exported from, Nepal. The total traffic amounted during the past year to 29,598 maunds, against 29,787 maunds in 1881-82, and 24,394 maunds in 1880-81. The increase in the export trade was 15.75 and 42.50 per cent as compared with the two previous years, but in the imports from Nepal, the figures show a decrease of 3,405 maunds on the trade of 1881-82, and of 1,842 maunds on that of 1880-81.

31. *Timber.*—The total quantity of timber imported from Nepal was 3,88,740 maunds, against 2,80,982 maunds in 1881-82, and 4,63,817 maunds in 1880-81. The different routes through which these supplies were carried are specified :—

	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
	Mds.	Mds.	Mds.
Tribam ghât in Chumparun ...	16,936	86,253	1,68,640
Kutkenwa do ditto ...	66,573	66,099	1,21,881
Ruxoul do ditto ...	1,04,279	21,073	35,314
Mirzapore in Durbhunga	2,368	2,736	31,296
Mirgunge in Purneah ...	688	10,411	13,876
Other routes ...	2,72,973	94,410	13,733
Total ...	4,63,817	2,80,982	3,88,740

It will be seen that the great bulk of the timber trade was registered in the Ohumparun district.

32. *Wool, manufactured.*—The trade under this head has greatly improved, the total value of manufactured woollen goods sent to Nepal being Rs. 3,36,424 against Rs. 2,16,901 in 1881-82 and Rs. 3,07,577 in 1880-81.

TRADE BETWEEN BENGAL AND SIKKIM.

33. The trade of Bengal with Sikkim and Thibet is registered at the frontier stations of Pheydong and Rungeet in the Darjeeling district. It may generally be stated that at present the greater part of the Pheydong trade goes to, and comes from, Thibet, while practically the whole of the Rungeet trade belongs to Sikkim proper. This trade is of increasing importance. Upon the opening of the Trans-Himalayan Railway and the completion of the road to the Jeylep Pass, it was reasonably expected that a considerable impetus would be given to the trade with Thibet; but the returns of traffic registration for the year 1881-82 did not show that this had been the case. The Lieutenant-Governor therefore directed the Deputy Commissioner of Darjeeling to employ such means as may be available to him to ascertain the cause of the want of elasticity which was indicated by the figures for that year, and submit a report of the result of his enquiries for the information of Government. In reply to this communication, the Deputy Commissioner writes:—

“ I may remark at the outset that it takes a long time for any change in the channels of trade to make itself felt in Thibet. Only one journey is done each way by traders in the year. These men only found the railway open through to Darjeeling when they came in early in the cold weather of 1881-82. Any information they took back about this would only take effect in the present cold weather, and at a recent inspection of the traffic stations at Rungeet and Pheydong, I saw indications of the further development of the trade. The road to the Jeylep Pass has been open some years. The only recent alteration in the route has been the opening of the Teesta bridge, and information of this would only have gone into Thibet last cold weather.

“ Much depends on the treatment of the traders at the Passes. Two cold winters ago, the Thibetans were very obstructive and rapacious. Probably this checked trade last year, but the traders were better treated, and those who left houses and property behind them in Thibet were allowed to pass freely. This year even those without means of their own have met with no discouragement, and as I have said, trade is improving.

“ I dare say, inattention to orders on behalf of the registering clerks may have affected the returns in the past, but I am doing my best to rouse them, and have, as reported above, only recently thoroughly inspected the stations. Both clerks have been warned, and one temporarily suspended, and I trust that no indolence on their part will hide the improvement which, I believe, to have really set in in the Thibetan trade.”

The Lieutenant-Governor believes that a very important trade with Thibet can be opened up through Sikkim, if obstructions are removed and facilities offered. Special attention has been paid to this subject, and the Lieutenant-Governor's views will shortly be laid before the Government of India in a separate communication.

34. The following statement shows the total value of the trade between Bengal and Sikkim registered during the past three years:—

Year.	Imports from Sikkim.	Exports to Sikkim.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1880-81	1,67,960	80,898	2,48,858
1881-82	1,67,533	86,011	2,53,544
1882-83	2,00,148	1,16,291	3,16,439

35. It will be seen that the increase in the total trade amounted in value to Rs. 62,898 compared with 1881-82, and to Rs. 67,581 compared with 1880-81. The import trade showed an advance of over 19 per cent on the figures of the two previous years, and the export trade an advance of 35·21 per cent on the trade of 1881-82, and of 43·75 per cent. on that of 1880-81. The remarks offered by the Deputy Commissioner of Darjeeling in his annual administration report are as follows:—

“ The Rungeet station, which registers the Sikkim traffic, shows the import of Indian corn to have doubled. As regards the supply of poultry and other life-stock, however, the returns show that Sikkim has done less business than last year. At Pheydong, where the Thibetan and Sikkim traffic is registered, the imports of sheep have, according to the returns, more than doubled. The supply was, I know, very free; but I fear the figures mean partly that the mohurir was lax in his work in 1881-82, for there is an increase under blankets and other

piece-goods, which is in excess of even the marked revival of the Thibetan trade, which has, I know, taken place. The imports of untaxed salt are gradually decreasing. The supply of ponies from Thibet and Bhutan has been quite up to the average.

"The exports at these registering stations consist chiefly of piece-goods and tobacco, to which at Nuksarbaree must be added salt. The exports of piece-goods show a very large increase chiefly in the direction of Nepal."

36. The total value of the principal articles comprising the import trade during the past three years has been:—

				Imports from Sikkim.		
				1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Horses	...	...	...	28,250	48,225	49,725
Cattle	...	...	...	12,475	6,950	7,925
Sheep and goats	...	...	...	9,964	15,673	23,999
Lime and limestone	...	...	...	4,938	3,380	2,015
Vegetables and other kinds of fruits	...	...	...	6,590	6,486	4,934
Miscellaneous rain crops	...	...	...	20,664	23,047	33,676
Brass and copper	...	...	...	11,040	17,700	8,520
Ghee	...	...	...	2,304	3,552	4,089
Provisions other than ghee	...	...	...	26,830	1,220	680
Salt	...	...	...	6,775	7,773	3,411
Tea, foreign	...	...	...	.....	3,520	2,310
Wool, raw	...	...	...	80	.....	2,520
Wool, manufactured	...	...	...	16,536	17,294	35,504
All other articles of merchandise, manufactured	...	...	...	5,096	3,283	3,945

37. The value of ponies imported from Sikkim rose from Rs. 28,250 in 1880-81 to Rs. 48,225 in 1881-82, and Rs. 49,725 in 1882-83. There was a slight increase in the value of cattle imported, but the figures are still below those of 1880-81 by Rs. 4,550. The increase under sheep and goats amounted to as much as 53·07 and 140·86 per cent as compared with the two previous years. This trade is nearly all registered as Phoydong, and the increase from 3,359 animals in 1880-81 to 5,900 in 1881-82 and 9,176 in 1882-83 is very satisfactory. The value of miscellaneous rain crops, chiefly Indian corn, is Rs. 10,629 in excess of the totals of 1881-82, and Rs. 13,012 in advance of those of 1880-81. The trade in ghee is steadily increasing. The imports of manufactured woollen goods (chiefly blankets) show a large advance, amounting to more than double the value of the supply registered during the preceding two years. One of the most satisfactory features in the trade of the year is the beginning of a steady import of wool. There is an unlimited supply of this staple of excellent quality within a few days' journey from Darjeeling, and there can be no doubt that if the channel were opened there would be a free flow of trade. It is interesting to observe that in the first four months of the current year the imports of wool have been double those of the whole of the previous year. The salt shown above is the untaxed foreign salt, of which an account has already been given in this report. The figures, however, show a satisfactory decrease, amounting to 56·12 per cent as compared with 1881-82, and to 49·65 per cent as compared with 1880-81; and the facilities for transport afforded by the opening of the railway will doubtless result in a still further diminution in this trade. The value of foreign tea, which is the brick tea of Thibet, shows a decrease of Rs. 1,210 on the figures of the previous year. In the last report, a hope was expressed that the tea-planters of Darjeeling and the Dooars will make some effort to displace the brick tea by preparing coarse tea for the Thibetan market, and a pamphlet written by a gentlemen of special experience in this matter has already been widely circulated to disseminate information on the subject.

38. The principal articles exported to Sikkim during the past three years were:—

				EXPORTS TO SIKKIM.		
Chief articles of trade.				1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Cattle	...	...	...	11,575	6,650	1,275
Piece goods (European)	...	...	...	23,744	29,121	45,702
Ditto (Indian)	...	...	...	2,592	382	177
Indigo	...	...	...	11,750	11,330	28,520
Rice	...	...	...	3,432	7,313	2,320
Brass and copper	...	...	...	7,680	5,360	8,120
Paints and colours	...	...	...	1,400	10,920	400
Salt	...	...	...	1,194	760	1,143
Tobacco	...	...	...	8,016	4,609	9,668

39. It will be seen that the trade in European piece-goods has largely expanded, the value of exports amounting to Rs. 45,702 against Rs. 29,121 in 1881-82 and Rs. 23,744 in 1880-81. It has been ascertained that the use of cotton fabrics is becoming popular in Thibet, and that there is rapidly increasing demand for piece-goods of all kinds. The indigo exports show an advance of 151·72 and 142·72 per cent on the trade of the proceeding two years respectively. The supply of brass and copper and their manufactures sent to Sikkim has also been large, the increase being Rs. 2,760 in excess of the transactions of the previous year. The rise in the tobacco trade is 109·72 per cent as compared with 1881-82, and 20·58 per cent as compared with 1880-81. The large decrease shown under paints and colours is owing to the return of the trade to its normal state. It is important to observe that under the three heads of piece-goods, indigo, and tobacco the exports have nearly doubled in two years.

TRADE BETWEEN BENGAL AND BHUTAN.

40. The different stations for the registration of the trade between Bengal and Bhutan are Ambari, Buxa, and Huntoopara, all in the Julpigoree district. The total value of the traffic registered at these posts during the past year, as compared with the totals of the two previous years, was as follows.—

Years.	Imports from Bhutan	Exports to Bhutan	Total
	Rs	Rs	Rs
1880-81	2,26,622	1,96,947	4,23,569
1881-82	1,23,048	1,05,168	2,28,216
1882-83	1,11,412	86,693	1,98,105

41. The Lieutenant-Governor is unable to accept the figures of the two years previous to 1882-83 as being finally correct, for the result of the enquiries made through the Deputy Commissioner of Julpigoree, under the orders of the Government of India, regarding the shell-lac trade registered in those years, showed that the figures of this trade submitted to Government since 1878-79 were for the most part fabricated by the registering mohurirs at Buxa and Ambari stations. From September 1881, however, there has been a new traffic mohurir at Buxa, who is said to be intelligent and careful, and it is owing to him that the inaccuracy of the two previous years' returns has been brought to light. The mohurir at Ambari has also been dismissed from the service of Government, and it is hoped that some improvement may be effected in the registration of this traffic.

42. The principal articles imported from Bhutan during the past year are shown in the following statement:—

Chief articles of trade		Imports from Bhutan in 1882-83	
		Quantity	Value Rs
Horses	No	265	57,375
Cattle	"	17	1,175
Sheep and goats	"	100	1,002
Piece-goods, Indian	Rs	.	807
Madder or manjett	Mds	74	885
Vegetables and other kinds of fruits and nuts, except coconuts and betelnuts	"	1,752	3,504
Ghee	"	288	8,352
Tea, foreign	"	36	1,980
Woollen manufacture (piece-goods)	Rs	.	16,139
All other articles of merchandise (unmanufactured)	"	.	4,802
Ditto ditto (manufactured)	"	.	13,228

43. A similar statement shows the chief articles of traffic exported to Bhutan during the year 1882-83:—

Chief articles of trade		Exports to Bhutan in 1882-83	
		Quantity	Value Rs
Piece-goods (European)	Rs	.	16,411
Rice	Mds	5,613	10,772
Paddy	"	1,420	1,595
Brass and copper	"	20	800
Iron	"	276	1,650
Salt	"	241	1,040
Silk, manufactured	Rs	.	2,313
Betelnuts	Mds	2,158	17,264
Sugar, unrefined	"	1,102	8,266
Tobacco	"	3,284	21,317
Woollen manufactures (piece-goods)	Rs	.....	3,535

APPENDIX.

TRAFFIC INTO BRITISH

STATEMENT No. I.—Showing the total quantity of each Staple of Traffic imported into British Territory from
with the totals of

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		THE FRONTIER POSTS BETWEEN															
		In the Chumprun district.					In the Mozufferpore district.					In the Durbhunga district.					
Number.	LIST OF ARTICLES.	Tribeni Ghat.	Raxaul.	Adapore.	Kutkenwa.	Ghorasan.	Bairagnia.	Majorgunge.	Sonbursa.	Bela.	Soorsund.	Madhupore.	Hatway.	Joydegar.	Mirzapore.	Pipra Ghat.	
I	Animals, living (for sale)—																
	1.—Horses, ponies, and mules ... No.			7													
	2.—Cattle		84	4,188	148	474	3,542		101	124	147		131	110	337	2	
	3.—Sheep and goats		9	41	5	2,132	443		285		700			5	330		
	4.—Poultry		5	3,284		986	478								356	19	
	5.—Other kinds		10	44											58	8	
IIa	Building materials—																
	1.—Lime and limestone ... Mds.																
III	Canes and rattans																
VI	Coal and coke																
VII	Cotton, raw																
VIII	Cotton, manufactured—																
	2.—Twist and yarn (Indian) ...		53														
	3.—Piece-goods (European) ... Rs.		12,731	6,445													
	4.—Ditto (Indian)		514	323	350		1,509	55									
IX	Drugs and medicines—																
	2.—Other sorts, not intoxicating ..		100	1,930	10,900		100					57			1,104	558	
	3.—Intoxicating drugs (other Mds. than opium).																
X	Dyeing materials—																
	2.—Madder or manjit															47	3
	3.—Safflower																
	4.—Turmeric		188	440		8	100	8,954									
XI	Earthenware and porcelain ... Rs.		1	131													
XII	Fibrous products—																
	1.—Jute, raw		20				42										
	2.—Jute, manufactured—																
	a.—Gunny bags		360	1,084													
	3.—Other fibres, raw					18	501	1,184	109	79	49	216	420	200	166		
	4.—Ditto, manufactured						23										
XIII	Fruits, nuts, and vegetables—																
	1.—Coconuts																
	2.—Vegetables and all other Mds. kinds.		856	3,155	204		3,025					130		27	686	9	
XIV	Grain and pulse—																
	1.—Wheat		83	982	1,195	13	5,327	844	924	681	426	150		238	236	74	
	2.—Gram and pulse		108	2,837	1,774	3,438	6,178	22,872	2,692	1,046	422	3,502	1,318	5,141	1,102	31	
	3.—Other spring crops			5,365	5,373	5,452	1,349	14,997	6,669	11,417	1,252	5,482	60	842	2,784		
	4.—Rice, husked		2,918	22,855	8,721	11,156	44	26,204	95,209	36,063	16,054	24,805	1,09,592	1,32,747	5,121	40,111	
	5.—Rice, unhusked		225	90,432	27,518	1,03,421	19,520	27,581	40,738	45,217	8,010	15,041	38,801	26,865	50,123	50,828	
	6.—Other rain crops			7,117	18,750	32,711	24,124	84,110	17,123	18,117	1,553	3,291	686	1,301	5,525	631	
XV	Gums and resins																
XVI	Hides and skins—																
	1.—Hides of cattle	1,500	3,565	4,354	6,281	1,603	12,842	2,182	1,641	819	580		1,879		100		
	2.—Skins of sheep, goats, and small animals.		496	235	1		63,245	1,727	962	107	607						
XVII	Horns		9	7	20		10	80				14					
XVIII	Jewellery, &c.—																
	1.—Precious stones and pearls, unset																
	2.—Jewellery		5,580														
XIX	Lac—																
	1.—Dye																
	2.—Shell																
	3.—Stick and other kinds																
XX	Leather—																
	1.—Unmanufactured																
	2.—Manufactured			4													
XXI	Liquors																
XXII	Mats																
XXIIa	Metals and manufactures of metals—																
	1.—Brass and copper		7				77							10			
	2.—Iron																
	3.—Other metals		34														
XXIV	Oils		1		131		295					2					
XXV	Opium				6	36											
XXVI	Paints and colours																
XXVII	Provisions—																
	1.—Rice		11		12	143	4,828	191	140	256	121	203	69	107	47	223	
	2.—All other kinds			598			36						67		15		
XXVIII	Salt		492	226													
XXIX	Saltpetre, &c.—																
	1.—Saltpetre			876	380		1,718	1,324	82	100	546	954					
	2.—Other saline substances														200		
XXX	Seeds—																
	1.—Oilseeds—																
	a.—Lansee		10,317	12,808	14,824		46,823	4,273	12,130	1,503	11,559	4,768	7,076	11,616	1,976	408	
	b.—Mustard and rape	1,066	567	6,060	4,915	7,448	12,592		625	159	98	172	2,431	7,483	763		
	c.—Til or gingelly									22					31	180	
	d.—Other oilseeds		156	667	1,314		11,019		897		18	35					
	2.—Other seeds—																
	c.—Other kinds		32														
XXXI	Silk—																
	2.—Manufactured																
XXXII	Spices—																
	a.—Betelnuts																
	b.—All other kinds		362	139								41	4	138	682	198	
XXXIII	Stone and marble																
XXXIV	Sugar—																
	1.—Refined																
	2.—Unrefined			263													
XXXV	Tea—																
	2.—Foreign																
XXXVI	Tobacco		406	211							15	312	408	1,351	2,062	325	
XXXVII	Woods—																
	1.—Timber	1,68,640	35,314	413	1,21,881	5,074	2,284	1,877				1,562		696	35,390	734	
	2.—Firewood		526			73						842		294		8	
	3.—Bamboos			676					1,470								
XXXVIII	Wool—																
	1.—Raw		244	218	258												
	2.—Manufactured		5,858	1,500													
XXXIX	All other articles of merchandise—																
	1.—Unmanufactured		2,355	4,041	7,120		210		774	48		86					
	2.—Manufactured		1,927	1,913	2,840	3	493					343	40	8	221	77	
XL	Treasure—																
	2.—Silver		2,86,713	2,15,000													
	TOTAL VALUE																

TERRITORY FROM NEPAL.

Nepal and registered at the several Frontier Stations between Bengal and Nepal during the year 1882-83, as compared the two preceding years.

17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
BENGAL AND NEPAL.													TOTAL.					
In the Bhagulpore district.			In the Purneah district.				In the Darjeeling district.			Quantity.			Value.			LIST OF ARTICLES.		
Kanchowli.	Patchpandarah.	Beerpoore.	Kalughat.	Degabank.	Byreah.	Siktee.	Megahat.	Mungunge.	Nukaurbarce.	Goompahar.	Kurjala.	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.	1880-81.		1881-82.	1882-83.
1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	65	144	16	4,375	10,800	1,200	No. Animals, living (for sale)—
126	...	1,158	203	2,363	1,563	252	...	214	904	883	1,374	17,723	21,933	18,435	4,43,071	5,48,375	4,60,825	1.—Horses, ponies, and mules.
337	...	30	1,273	2,070	731	...	...	...	638	5,222	22,518	20,836	20,165	36,771	48,068	72,913	91,930	2.—Cattle.
797	3,004	2,428	2,318	4,861	1,040	...	23,803	43,654	81,810	107,753	141,973	180,185	41,038	35,493	45,123	3.—Sheep and goats.
...	43	1,303	1,401	2,739	3,433	2,879	6,843	8,580	7,198	4.—Poultry.
88	62	...	1	...	...	...	...	200	98	151	229	105	164	5.—Other kinds.
...	Building material—
...	1.—Lime and limestone.
120	12	171	...	3	557	19	...	...	...	...	...	1,932	1,871	1,013	22,546	31,807	27,421	Rs. Canes and rattans.
...	Mds. Coal and coke.
...	Cotton, raw.
...	Cotton, manufactured—
...	2.—Twist and yarn (Indian).
...	Rs. 3.—Piece-goods (European).
...	4.—Ditto (Indian).
...	...	11,789	17	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,399	15,484	29,993	Drugs and medicines—
...	2.—Other sorts, not intoxicating.
...	9,735	...	...	Mds. 3.—Intoxicating drugs (other than opium).
...	Dyeing materials—
...	2.—Madder or mauget.
...	3.—Safflower.
...	4.—Turmeric.
372	134	3	66	...	214	473	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Rs. Earthenware and porcelain.
...	Fibrous products—
...	1.—Jute, raw.
...	2.—Jute, manufactured—
...	a.—Gunny bags.
...	Mds. 3.—Other fibres, raw.
...	4.—Ditto, manufactured.
...	Fruits, nuts, and vegetables—
...															

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TERRITORY INTO NEPAL.

Nepal and registered at the several Frontier Stations between Bengal and Nepal during the year 1882-83 of the two preceding years.

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STATEMENT No. III.—*Showing the Total Imports into British Territory, district by district, from*

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TRAFFIC FROM BRITISH

STATEMENT No. IV.—*Showing the total Exports from British Territory, district by district,*

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		BENGAL.													OTHER.				
Order.	LIST OF ARTICLES.	Calcutta.	Darjeeling.	Panna.	Shahabad.	Muzaffarpore.	Durbhanga.	Saran.	Chumprun.	Monghyr.	Bhagulpore.	Purneah.	Total of Bengal.	Assam.	Bihar.	Punjab.	Ajmer.	Mysore.	
I	Animals, living (for sale)—																		
	1.—Horses, ponies, and mules .. No.	150	18	4,000	211	51	163	2	20	3	730	168	3,705	225					
	2.—Cattle	1	250	5,637	1,082	4,289	5,310	144	2,012	18,612	21,707	18,612	21,707						
	3.—Sheep and goats																		
	4.—Poultry																		
	5.—Other kinds																		
II	Minerals—																		
III	Building material—																		
	1.—Lime and limestone .. No.																		
	2.—Bricks and tiles																		
IV	Cane and rattans																		
V	Coal and coke																		
VI	Cotton, raw	74	97	57	251	118	171	6,828	83	478	8,154								
VII	Cotton, manufactured—																		
	1.—Twist and yarn (European) ..	232	1	35	111	101	92	67	142	52	326	326							
	2.—Ditto ditto (Indian)	1																	
	3.—Piece-goods (European) .. Rs.	6,36,319	71,250	55,082	1,28,845	1,05,017	35,874	5,30,410	1,39,079	1,15,177	18,10,592	30	3,100	714					
	4.—Ditto (Indian)	2,000	18,721	1,249	3,094	1,487	46,621	50,617	3,081	50,342	1,78,058		5,690						
IX	Drugs and medicines—																		
	1.—Aconitum	3		1															
	2.—Other sorts, not intoxicant ..	610		742															
	3.—Intoxicating drugs (other Mds. than opium)																		
X	Dyeing materials—																		
	1.—Indigo																		
	2.—Safflower																		
	3.—Turmeric																		
	4.—Other kinds																		
XI	Barthenware and porcelain .. Rs.	600	2,237	380															
XII	Fibrous products—																		
	1.—Jute, raw																		
	2.—Jute, manufactured—																		
	a.—Gunny bags	5,500																	

TRADE BETWEEN BENGAL

STATEMENT No. V—Showing the total Imports from, and Exports to, Sikkim of each during the year 1882-83, as compared

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Number.	LIST OF ARTICLES.	IMPORTS FROM SIKKIM.							
		WHERE REGISTERED.		TOTAL.					
		Phye-dong.	Ranjest.	Quantity.			Value.		
				1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
							Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I	Animals, living (for sale)—								
	1.—Horses, ponies, and mules ... No.	662	1	380	643	663	24,250	48,225	49,725
	2.—Cattle	140	171	499	278	317	12,475	6,950	7,025
	3.—Sheep and goats	9,176	423	3,900	6,271	9,509	9,064	15,078	23,900
	4.—Poultry ... ..	...	1,497	2,650	5,111	1,497	482	1,286	374
	5.—Other kinds ... ..	...	74	241	112	74	603	279	184
IIa	Building material—								
	1.—Lime and limestone Mds.	...	1,897	4,353	3,179	1,897	4,938	3,380	2,015
III	Cane and rattans ... ..	...	11	...	...	...	30	33	14
IV	Chambray ... ..	...	12	...	3	12	...	105	600
V	Cashmere ... ..	...	799	478	1,238	799	323	018	600
VI	Cotton, raw ... ..	...	23	11	17	23	187	289	391
VII	Cotton, manufactured—								
	1.—Twist and yarn (European) ... ..	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	70
	2.—Ditto (Indian) ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	3.—Piece-goods (European) ... Rs.	...	152	...	...	...	...	...	152
	4.—Ditto (Indian) ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
IX	Drugs and medicines—								
	1.—Other sorts, not intoxicating ...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	3
	2.—Intoxicating drugs (other than Mds. opium) ...	...	...	11	...	...	4,156	...	...
X	Dyeing materials—								
	1.—Indigo ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	2.—Madder or manjira ... ..	...	...	4	...	...	48	...	...
	3.—Turmeric ... ..	...	...	...	2	...	...	8	...
	4.—Other kinds ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
XI	Earthenware and porcelain	27	...	...	...	...	41	...	27
XII	Fibrous products—								
	1.—Jute ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	2.—Other fibres, raw ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
XIII	Fruits, nuts, and vegetables—								
	1.—Fruits ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	2.—Vegetables and all other kinds ...	326	2,141	3,295	3,168	2,467	6,590	6,486	4,934
XIV	Grains and pulses—								
	1.—Wheat ... ..	...	3	21	...	3	74	...	8
	2.—Gram and pulse ... ..	...	1,278	299	330	1,278	705	818	2,556
	3.—Other spring crops ... ..	...	1	70	...	1	204	...	2
	4.—Rice, husked ... ..	...	81	183	958	81	688	2,156	186
	5.—Do, unhusked ... ..	...	...	8	...	...	7	...	3
	6.—Other grain crops ... ..	...	16,836	10,532	10,256	16,838	20,664	23,047	33,676
XV	Gums and resins	21	...	...	...	...	...	42	204
XVI	Hides and skins—								
	1.—Hides of cattle	246	614	4	106	760	9	258	2,033
	2.—Skins of sheep, goats, and small animals ...	8	2	1	105	10	1	140	15
XVII	Horns ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	...
XIX	Lace—								
	1.—Dye	14	...	...	...	14	...	...	490
	2.—Shell ... ..	...	...	12	2	9	600	90	405
XX	Leather—								
	1.—Raw ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	2.—Manufactured ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	50	1	...
XXI	Liquors ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
XXII	Mats ... ..	...	4	...	...	...	3	23	4
XXIII	Metals and manufactures of metals—								
	1.—Copper and tin	94	119	276	446	213	11,040	17,700	8,520
	2.—Iron ... ..	...	...	2	3	...	16	20	...
	3.—Other metals ... ..	...	...	19	22	...	370	660	...
XXIV	Oils ... ..	...	10	2	10	10	24	120	120
XXV	Paints and colours ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
XXVI	Provisions—								
	1.—Cocoa	54	57	72	111	141	2,304	3,552	4,089
	2.—All other kinds	17	17	2,643	83	34	28,890	1,220	680
XXVII	Salt	700	91	1,605	1,779	791	6,775	7,773	3,411
XXVIII	Saltpetre, &c.—								
	1.—Other saline substances ... ..	...	5	2	1	5	10	5	25
XXX	Seeds—								
	1.—Oilseeds—								
	a.—Til or gingelly ... ..	...	11	...	4	11	...	16	44
	b.—Other seeds ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	c.—Indigo seed ... ..	...	...	12	8	...	600	400	...
	d.—Til seed ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	e.—Other kinds ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
XXXI	Spices—								
	1.—All other kinds	4	156	29	119	159	203	833	1,113
XXXII	Stone and marble ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
XXXIII	Sugar—								
	1.—Refined ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	2.—Unrefined	14	...	...	1	14	...	7	105
XXXIV	Ten—								
	1.—Indian ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	2.—Foreign	12	...	...	64	42	...	3,520	2,310
XXXV	Tobacco ... ..	...	...	4	...	...	26	...	...
XXXVI	Woods—								
	1.—Firewood ... ..	...	...	29	14	...	9	4	...
XXXVII	Wool—								
	1.—Raw	163	5	5	...	168	80	...	2,520
	2.—Manufactured	32,760	2,744	...	...	...	16,636	17,294	35,504
XXXIX	All other articles of merchandise—								
	1.—Unmanufactured	2,360	4,533	...	...	...	6,697	826	6,893
	2.—Manufactured	341	3,621	...	...	...	5,176	3,283	5,945
XL	Treasure—								
	1.—Silver ... ..	...	160	...	...	...	...	25	160
	2.—Gold ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	TOTAL VALUE ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1,07,000	1,07,533	2,00,148

AND SIKKIM.

article of traffic, registered at the several Frontier Stations between Darjeeling and Sikkim with the totals of the two preceding years.

10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
EXPORTS TO SIKKIM.								LIST OF ARTICLES.
WHERE REGISTERED.		TOTAL.						
Phye-dong.	Ranjest.	Quantity.			Value.			
		1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.	
					Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
.....	51	163	266	51	11,575	6,650	1,274	No. Animals, living (for sale) —
.....	248	1,271	266	248	5,139	740	621	1. — Horses, ponies, and mules.
.....	231	1,677	215	229	190	54	66	2. — Cattle.
.....	34	58	70	34	96	177	83	3. — Sheep and goats.
.....								4. — Poultry.
.....								5. — Other kinds.
.....								Building material —
.....								Mds. 1. — Limestone.
.....								Rs. Canes and cuttings.
.....								Mds. Chomchee.
.....	7			7			119	Coal and coke.
.....								Cotton, raw.
.....								Cotton, manufactured —
1	21			21			1,130	1. — Twist and yarn (European).
20		14	31	20	470	7,087	790	2. — Ditto (Indian).
20,548	25,154				23,714	29,121	45,702	Rs. 3. — Piece-goods (European).
.....	177				2,592	382	177	4. — Ditto (Indian).
.....						89		Drugs and medicines —
.....								2. — Other sorts, not intoxicating.
.....								Mds. 3. — Intoxicating drugs (other than opium).
88	26	43	45	124	11,750	11,330	25,520	Dyeing materials —
.....	12			12			114	1. — Indigo.
.....	3			3			12	2. — Madder or manjit.
77	2		26	79		840	2,370	4. — Turmeric.
435	700				1	16	1,155	5. — Other kinds.
.....			2			24		Rs. Earthenware and porcelain.
.....			10			20		Fabrics, products —
.....								Mds. 3. — Other fibres, raw.
.....								Fruits, nuts, and vegetables —
.....								2. — Vegetables and all other kinds.
.....								Grain and pulse —
.....								1. — Wheat.
.....								2. — Gram and pulse.
.....								3. — Other spring crops.
.....								4. — Rice, husked.
.....								5. — Do., unhusked.
.....								6. — Other rain crops.
.....								Gums and resins.
.....								Hides and skins —
8	4	7		13	17		34	No. 1. — Hides of cattle.
.....								2. — Skins of sheep, goats, and small animals.
.....								Mds. Horns.
.....								Lac —
.....								1. — Jive.
.....								2. — Shell.
.....								Leather —
.....								2. — Manufactured.
.....	2				14		2	Liquors.
.....								Mats.
.....								Metals and manufactures of metals —
.....								1. — Brass and copper.
.....								2. — Iron.
.....								3. — Other metals.
.....								Oils.
.....								Paints and colours.
.....								Provisions —
.....								1. — Ghee.
.....								2. — All other kinds.
.....								Salt.
.....								Salt-petre, &c. —
.....								2. — Other saline substances.
.....								Seeds —
.....								1. — Oilseeds —
.....								a. — Til or amelly.
.....								2. — Other seeds —
.....								a. — Indigo seed.
.....								b. — Tea seed.
.....								c. — Other kinds.
.....								Spices —
.....								b. — All other kinds.
.....								Stone and marble.
.....								Sugar —
.....								1. — Refined.
.....								2. — Unrefined.
.....								Tea —
.....								1. — Indian.
.....								2. — Foreign.
.....								Tobacco.
.....								Woods —
.....								2. — Firwood.
.....								Wool —
.....								1. — Raw.
.....								2. — Manufactured.
.....								All other articles of merchandise —
.....								1. — Unmanufactured.
.....								2. — Manufactured.
.....								Treasure —
.....								2. — Silver.
.....								TOTAL VALUE.
.....					80,998	86,011	1,16,294	

TRADE BETWEEN

STATEMENT NO. VI—Showing the Total Imports from, and Exports to, Bhutan of each
during the year 1882-83, as compared

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Number.	LIST OF ARTICLES.	IMPORTS FROM BHUTAN.								
		WHERE REGISTERED.			TOTAL.					
		Ambare.	Bura.	Hanco-para.	Quantity.			Value.		
					1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.
								Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I	Animals, living (for sale)—									
	1.—Horses, ponies, and mules .. No.	228	10	518	207	512	765	22,275	38,400	57,875
	2.—Cattle			17		2	47		50	1,175
	3.—Sheep and goats		400			467	400		1,100	1,002
	4.—Poultry		107			963	107		232	27
	5.—Other kinds		29		18	51	20	45	128	78
IV	Cinchona Mds.				26			910		
VII	Cotton, raw				2,807			47,719		
VIII	Cotton, manufactured—									
	3.—Pieces-goods (European) .. Rs.								219	
	4.—Ditto (Indian)		807					5,741	1,346	807
IX	Drugs and medicines—									
	2.—Other sorts, not intoxicating ..							275		
X	Dyeing materials—									
	2.—Madder or manni Mds.		74		3,462	1,221	74	46,344	14,652	888
	3.—Safflower									
XIII	Fruits, nuts, and vegetables—									
	1.—Coconuts No.									
	2.—Vegetables and all other kinds Mds.		71	1,681	601	298	1,762	1,822	1,155	3,504
XIV	Grain and pulse—									
	1.—Wheat		11			67	11		169	20
	2.—Grain and pulse				157			530		
	4.—Rice, husked				101			879		
	5.—Rice, unhusked									
	6.—Other rain crops									
XIX	Jac—									
	2.—Shell				9	8		450	135	
	3.—Stick and other kinds				119			1,165		
XXIII	Metals and manufactures of metals—									
	1.—Brass and copper					4			160	
	2.—Iron				101	7		808	42	
XXVII	Provisions									
	1.—Ghee	68	45	156	557	320	288	11,424	10,528	8,352
	2.—All other kinds		9			18	9		270	180
XXVIII	Salt		51		99	30	51	417	150	227
XXX	Seeds—									
	1.—Oilseeds—									
	6.—Mustard and rape				323			1,373		
XXXI	Silk—									
	Manufactured Rs.									
XXXII	Spices—									
	a.—Betelnuts Mds.									
	b.—All other kinds		2		46	11	2	322	77	14
XXXIV	Sugar									
	2.—Unrefined									
XXXV	Ten—									
	2.—Foreign		36			30	36		1,745	1,080
XXXVI	Tobacco									
XXXVII	Woods—									
	2.—Firewood		1,706			1,732	1,706		540	1,346
	3.—Bamboo No.									
XXXVIII	Wool—									
	Manufactured Rs.	1,24	9,471	2,684				40,417	17,364	16,439
XXXIX	All other articles of merchandise—									
	1.—Unmanufactured	120	4,095	587				21,614	12,102	4,802
	2.—Manufactured	4,140	8,530	579				20,059	22,309	13,228
	TOTAL VALUE							2,24,022	1,23,048	1,11,442

BENGAL AND BHUTAN.

article of Traffic, registered at the several frontier stations between Julpigoree and Bhutan with the totals of the two preceding years.

11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
EXPORTS TO BHUTAN.									
WHERE REGISTERED.			TOTAL.						LIST OF ARTICLES.
Sole- traders.	Baza.	Hantoo- para.	Quantity.			Value.			
			1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.	1880-81.	1881-82.	1882-83.	
						Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
		3				75			No. Animals, living (for sale)--
				3			8		1.—Horses, ponies, and mules.
		1,237	43	600	1,237	11	160	310	2.—Cattle.
									3.—Sheep and goats.
									4.—Poultry.
									5.—Other kinds.
	35			94	35		1,598	595	Mds. Chautchou.
									Cotton, raw.
815	15,464	135				27,871	18,917	16,414	Rs. Cotton, manufactured--
						546	1,117		3.—Piece-goods (European).
									4.—Ditto (Indian).
	126							126	Drugs and medicines--
			1,004			13,128			2.—Other sorts, not intoxicating.
				62			1,860		Dyeing materials--
									2.—Madder or marig.
		91			91			5	Mds. 3.—Safflower.
									Fructs, nuts, and vegetables--
									No. 1.—Coconuts.
									Mds. 2.—Vegetables and all other kind
									Grain and pulse--
			101	2		341	5		1.—Wheat.
718	2,707	2,188	5,473	2,829	5,613	20,526	6,770	10,772	2.—Grain and pulse.
		1,420	7,104	1,924	1,420	16,287	2,405	1,695	4.—Rice, husked.
		66		21	66		47	132	5.—Rice, unhusked.
									6.—Other ran crops.
									Lac--
									2.—Shell.
									3.—Stick and other kinds.
	19	1		0	20		300	800	Metals and manufactures of metals--
240	35		91	649	275	728	3,894	1,050	1.—Brass and copper.
									2.—Iron.
									Provisions--
									1.—Ghee.
		241	355	347	241	1,598	1,496	1,040	2.—All other kinds.
									Salt.
									Seeds--
									1.—Oilseeds--
									6.—Mustard and rape.
1,473		870				561	1,318	2,343	Rs. Silk--
									Manufactured.
48	2,044	66	4,719	2,548	2,158	75,984	38,946	17,264	Mds. Spices--
				2			14		a.—Betelnuts.
									6.—All other kinds.
315	94	693	228	365	1,102	1,712	2,738	8,286	Sugar--
									2.—Unrefined.
1,025	1,628	631	5,851	2,761	3,284	37,250	17,918	21,347	Ten.
									2.—Foreign.
									Tobacco.
		26			26				Wood--
	3,445	87				320	4,657	5,535	No. 1.—Firewood.
									3.—Bamboos.
	35							35	Rs. Wool--
461							1,020	461	Manufactured.
									All other articles of merchandise--
									1.—Unmanufactured.
									2.—Manufactured.
						1,96,947	1,05,168	86,693	TOTAL VALUE.

